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SUBJECT: VISIT OF AUSTRIAN FOREIGN MINISTER TO ROMANIA

1. AUSTRIAN FON MIN RUDOLF KIRCHSCHLAEGER PAID ROUTINE VISIT TO ROMANIA JANUARY 17-20 AT INVITATION OF FON MIN GEORGE MACOVESCU. DURING STAY KIRCHSCHLAEGER MET AT LENGTH WITH CEAUSESCU AND MACOVESCU, AS WELL AS OTHER HIGH ROMANIAN OFFICIALS. BOTH SIDES AGREED THAT BILATERAL RELATIONS ARE GOOD,, WITHOUT SIGNIFICANT PROBLEMS, AND CONCLUDING JOINT COMMUNIQUE WAS POSITIVE IN TONE AND WITHOUT SURPRISES (ASSUME TEXT AVAILABLE TO ADDRESSEES).

2. AUSTRIAN EMBASSY HAS SUPPLIED US WITH FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OF POSSIBLE INTEREST ON VISIT. ALTHOUGH CONSULAR MATTERS NOT MENTIONED IN COMMUNIQUE, AUSTRIANS DID HAND ROMANIANS LIST OF ABOUT SEVENTY DIVIDED FAMILY CASES AND "HANDFUL" OF MARRIAGE CASES WHICH THEY WANT RESOLVED. ROMANIANS AGREED TO STUDY LIST TO SEE WHAT COULD BE DONE BUT DID NOT COMMIT THEMSELVES FURTHER. IN ADDITION, AUSTRIANS SAID THAT TRANSIT OF SOVIET JEWS THROUGH ROMANIA WAS NOT MENTIONED BY EITHER SIDE. FOREGOING INFORMATION, EXCEPT FOR FIGURES, WAS ALSO STATED TO US BY SENIOR ROMANIAN MFA OFFICIAL.

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3. AUSTRIAN SOURCE DENIED CATEGORICALLY THAT EITHER SALZBURG MEETING IN FEBRUARY OR POSSIBLE ROMANIAN ATTENDANCE THERE WAS DISCUSSED.

4. AUSTRIANS SAID THAT KREISKY VISIT TO ROMANIA IS PROBABLE THIS YEAR, ALTHOUGH DATES HAVE NOT YET BEEN SETTLED. MACOVESCU HAS ACCEPTED INVITATION TO VISIT AUSTRIA, BUT SOURCES CONSIDER SUCH A TRIP VERY UNLIKELY THIS YEAR.

5. ON MULTILATERAL QUESTIONS AUSTRIANS EXPRESSED DIS-APPOINTMENT THAT CSCE HAD NOT MOVED AHEAD MORE QUICKLY AND THAT RESULTS SO FAR SEEMED TO POINT MORE TOWARDS GENERAL STATEMENTS OF PRINCIPLE RATHER THAN THE CONCRETE MEASURES, ESPECIALLY ON BASKET I, WHICH THEY WOULD LIKE TO SEE. ROMANIANS, ON OTHER HAND, TOOK A MORE OPTIMISTIC LINE, SAYING THAT THEY STILL EXPECTED MORE TANGIBLE RESULTS BUT THAT IN ANY CASE MERE FACT THAT CSCE IS TAKING PLACE IS VERY SIGNIFICANT. ON ARAB-ISRAELI CONFLICT, ROMANIANS STRESSED THAT INTERESTED MEDIUM AND SMALL STATES SHOULD PARTICIPATE IN PEACE CONFERENCE. WHEN QUERIED AS TO EXACTLY WHICH STATES THEY HAD IN MIND, ROMANIANS REPLIED "THOSE WITH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH BOTH SIDES," I.E., ROMANIANS.

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